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Commissioner for Patents
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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09 753,664; Filed: January 4, 2001
For: **High Density Metal Capacitor Using Via Etch Stopping Layer as Field Dielectric in Dual-Damascene Interconnect Process**
Inventor: Liming Tsau
Our Ref: 1875.023000

Sir:

In reply to the "Notice to File Corrected Application Papers," dated May 21, 2001, Applicant submits the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers;
2. Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings;
3. Five (5) sheets of formal drawings, (consisting of Figures 1-15);
4. An original executed Power of Attorney from Assignee;
5. An original executed Certificate under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b); and
6. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned, and any fees therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Filing Date Granted

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings

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Sir:

Submitted herewith are seven (5) sheets of formal drawings with Figures 1-15, corresponding to the drawings submitted with the above-captioned application. Identification of the drawings is provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(c). Acknowledgment of the receipt, approval, and entry of these formal drawings into this application is respectfully requested.

It is not believed that an extension of time is required, other than any already provided herewith. However, if an extension of time is needed to prevent abandonment of the application, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this Letter is enclosed.

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